

## COLBY CHARGES REED STIRS UP PREJUDICE

Former Vice President of Fleet Corporation Comes to Kansas City to Attack Militarism.

## SAYS LEAGUE PLAN IS BEST

Is Attempt, He Declares, to Substitute Procedure to Maintain Peace—Old Methods Attacked.

KANSAS CITY, April 5.—"The league of nations plan is reasonable, and the fact that such a league as its forshadowed in the provisional covenant is a most natural and logical evolution of our traditional policy is lost sight of completely by its critics," declared Bainbridge Colby of New York, former vice president of the emergency fleet corporation, in a speech today before the city club of Kansas City.

There are two ideals of policy between which the world now has to choose, declared the speaker. "One is the system which for generations has guided, or misguided, Europe. The other is a new international plan based on the belief that peace is the best policy, and that just and representative governments may yet find methods of agreement."

Much is heard of the sovereignty of the state. The real sacrifice we are called on to make is the sacrifice of an intolerant refusal to consider new ideas, the sacrifice of our ingrained attachment to old and vicious ideas.

Mr. Colby came to Kansas City, he said, "to correct misstatements" made about the league by Senator Reed of Missouri. He declared the senator has not only misstated the provisions of the provisional covenant and sought to mislead his hearers as to its operation in several important respects, but he has made statements which are exasperating only as an effort to stir prejudice and prevent a growth of public sentiment in favor of the adoption of the covenant.

Here Mr. Colby repeated charges he made at St. Louis last night that Senator Reed had declared some of the nations to be included in the league were to be named in a secret protocol, and read again his cablegrams of denial from President Wilson. Continuing, he said: "Of the same type of recklessness and inflammatory question is the statement made by Senator Lodge to the effect that the president is refusing to not having first formally consulted the senate as to the terms of the proposed covenant."

The republican senators in that eager quest for issues, leaped into hasty and ill-considered opposition. Since their declaration of undying hostility to a league as embodied in the proposed covenant, most of them have found a plank to go ashore on. All but a few of the 'never say die' type have heard from home."

## MAYO'S FLEET WILL SAIL SOON FOR NEW YORK PORT

WASHINGTON, April 5.—One hundred warships of Admiral Mayo's Atlantic fleet, which have been at battle practice at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, are due to sail today for New York to remain from April 15 to 30 before putting to sea for maneuvers along the Atlantic coast and exercises at the naval bases at Hampton Roads and Yorktown.

Eighteen battleships, 49 destroyers, 16 submarines and a score of auxiliaries make up the force. The battleships are the Pennsylvania, Admiral Mayo's flagship, the Mississippi, Arizona, Arkansas, Nevada, New York, Texas, Utah, Wyoming, Delaware, Oklahoma, Florida and North Dakota, all dreadnaughts, and the Maine, Wisconsin, Alabama, Illinois and Kentucky, old type ships.

## NEED OF PEACE URGENT SAYS PREMIER BORDEN

LONDON, Friday, April 4.—(Via Montreal)—Speaking at a dinner given tonight in honor of Sir Auckland G. Geddes, who has accepted the principalship of McGill university, Sir Robert B. Borden, Canadian premier, said:

"What of peace? Let us not minimize the difficulties confronting those who are striving to settle its terms. I am not disposed on the other hand to criticize those who are impatient of delay. I have more than once given voice to my own impatience. It would be idle to pretend there has been no waste of time. There is great unrest throughout the world and in an extreme opinionist who believes all danger is behind us."

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## Woman Runs Truck Business



Mrs. Blanche Coleman Goshert, of Havana, Ill., below, and brother Walter beside ambulance donated by Chicago Elks which he drove in France.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., April 2.—Mrs. Blanche Coleman Goshert, of Havana, has charge of the automobile transfer service in that city and drives one of the cars.

When her husband, Clifford Goshert, and her brother, Walter V. Coleman, who operated the transfer line, went to war a year ago she took their place and has made good. She donned a chauffeur's uniform and is an expert driver.

She is the pride of her father, Mayor George Coleman. Mayor Coleman has served for six terms as the municipal head of the city and was alderman for 12 years. The brother, Walter, volunteered as an ambulance driver and was placed in charge of a car donated by the Elks' lodge No. 4 of Chicago.

Coleman writes that he expects to be ordered home soon. His partner, Clifford Goshert, his sister's husband, was assigned to the infantry service and also distinguished himself in France. Both are as proud as the father of the success that Mrs. Goshert has made in handling the auto transfer business at home. She will retire, however, as soon as the two soldiers return.

## Little Lon Wants to Be Aviator But Helpless Lad Has Bigger and Brighter Career in a Roller-Chair

By NOBA COLE SKINNER.  
The other day a teacher of the central grade public school in Tulsa had all in her class write a composition on what they wanted to be when they grew up.

Here is a sample.  
I WANT TO BE AN AVIATOR.  
I am a boy of 11 years old and I am going to school and I am in the 5-B grade. My dad works for a railroad company.

The war has been going on and I have often wondered how it would be to go up in an airplane. I think it would be a great thing to do, and if the war is going on when I get big I am going to be an aviator. Maybe I could get a medal for bravery. When the Kaiser sees me in my airplane he will run for his life. Then I will drop a bomb and he will see about 133 stars. (These were drawn on the original.)

That is what I want to be when I get big.

It would be the end of a perfect day.

LOAN RYLANDER.

Every morning he comes to the central grade school in a little red wagon. His sister, holding the tongue and pulling it along.

Sitting there, gay and flamboyant, his big head, on healthy, square shoulders and leaning over the side for a rock to swing at a dog as he goes by, you wonder what game Loan Rylander and his little sister are playing that he rides up to school in this flaming chariot of state.

Then the school bell rings, you look for the explanation—look wondering, tearfully.

The bull and bat thrown down all rush pell-mell into "line." One of the "big boys"—not always the same big boy, but always some one big boy—throws Loan across his back and in he goes. Now, the well-shaped head and square shoulders look out of proportion, for from the waist down the child's body is shrunken and wasted, the legs dangle disjointedly, no strength is in them, no muscle, no control. He is as light as a dollar, as quick and "bad" as any of the roughest, no good—goodly grunting is Loan, from his hips up he is all action, all life, all boy; from his hips down he is dead.

And he wants to be an aviator.

But Loan has that rare and priceless gift, a friend. David and Jonathan, acknowledged more famous, could not have been more faithful. His name is David, Loan, and he is 12 years old.

He treats Loan like a hero, not like

one to be pitied. He carries his books, runs for his cap at "recess," gives him the bigger blue end of his apple, and when he must go to the board as he insists upon doing David Zuluva places a chair there first, then rushes back for the helpless Loan and carries him to it.

Playful and active to a marked degree, the child's affliction is more to be pitied because of his aggressive disposition. Teachers try to make two boys work at different blackboards, for when David is figuring over his hardest problem, Loan has a habit of reaching for a wop of his hair and putting him about at will. A little thing like that is nothing between real friends, though, and, play them as far apart as the room allows, David, with an air of satisfaction and likes, is found back at Loan's blackboard before the class is dismissed.

Is Everybody's Pet.

Though he is up a flight of stairs at "recess," Loan has never found it necessary to ask to be carried out on the playground. The "big boys" come to him at the ringing of the bell as regularly as though it were part of a drill, and off they gallop to the fresh air and sports. David is not big enough to carry him that far, but he is not at so great a disadvantage as it would seem for he plays that Loan is his "general" and he the "guard" and he marches at his side—now and then a while, but every time the boy is carried anywhere about the school—and every person he meets in transit he salutes as seriously as could General Pershing.

Loan is delighted at this military atmosphere, and gives commands with martial spirit.

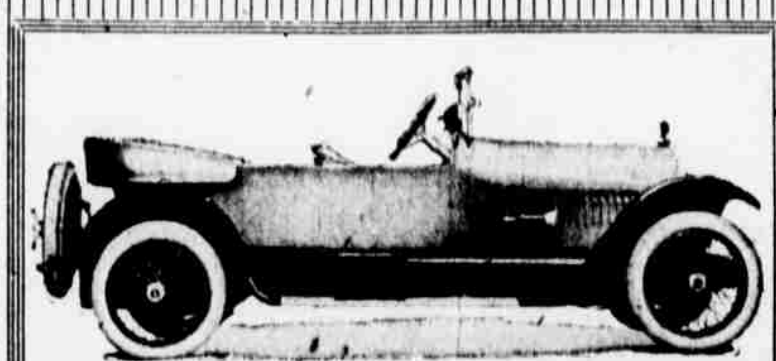
He loves to write stories and read "Dangle Deever," he has a mind "as sharp as a whip," his teachers say, but an aviator he will never be.

At the time he passes through the shadow of realization, however, and renews the dreams that now are revealed in the rainbow of his boyish aspirations, there will come to him the deeper knowledge that with the same determination and ambition that he shows now, he may, by means of his brilliant mind and stern application, achieve far greater heights than any airship has ever soared.

Brains, personality, the ability to draw friends like David, all these things have power to make the Kaiser run for his life, even though the locomotive employed in the battle is a roller chair instead of an airplane.

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